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Applicant:

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USE OF TRANSGLUTAMINASE INHIBITOR FOR THE TREATMENT OF SCAR TISSUE

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUE

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231,

U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

Petition is hereby made under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.313(b) (5) to withdraw this application from issue for the purpose of consideration of an information disclosure statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 in a File Wrapper continuation application. The Petition Fee is enclosed.

Following payment of the Issue Fee herein and in the course of discussions with a prospective business partner, applicants' attention was drawn to the existence of an Abstract of a Dissertation thesis by one of the inventors, published more than one year prior to applicants' effective U.S. filing date of March 23, 1992, being the filing date of the precursor PCT filing. A subsequent further enquiry has determined that the thesis from which the Abstract was taken also was published more than one year prior to the effective filing date of this application.

While not considered a sufficient disclosure to negate patentability of the allowed claims, nevertheless it is believed that the contents of the Abstract and the thesis are such that an Examiner might consider them material to patentability and hence the Abstract and thesis ought to be considered in relation to the allowed claims.

Under the circumstances, it is submitted that the Petition ought to be granted and the applicants be permitted to file a File Wrapper continuation application to abandon this application and permit the newly-discovered prior art to be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

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RENEWED PETITION TO WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.313(b)(5)

BY COURIER

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

This Renewed Petition follows the Decision on Petition dated May 9, 1997.

The Decision indicates vacating the Decision dated December 2, 1996 on the basis that it is important to grant the petition to withdraw (as in the Decision dated December 2, 1996), since the file wrapper application had not been filed.

The required File Wrapper Continuation Application was filed with the PTO on April 21, 1997. A copy of the return postcard is enclosed. Applicants rely on the papers previously submitted. However, a further set of papers, including the File Wrapper Continuation, are enclosed.

Having regard to this paper and the documents previously submitted to the Office, including the fee required

under 37 CFR 1.17(i), it is submitted that this Renewed Petition should be granted.

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